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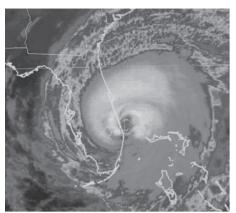
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### Big hurricanes likely this year, forecasters say

### **Associated Press**

**MIAMI** The upcoming Atlantic hurricane season likely will be a busy one and may spawn as many as 23 named tropical storms, including up to seven major hurricanes, the U.S. government said Thursday.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration predicted that eight to 14 storms would strengthen into hurricanes, with top winds of 74 mph or higher. Three to seven of those could become major storms that reach Category 3 or higher—meaning they bring sustained winds of at least 111 mph.

"If this outlook holds true, this season could be one of the more active on record," Jane Lubchenco, NOAA administrator, said in a statement. "The greater likelihood of storms brings an increased risk of a landfall. In short, we urge everyone to be prepared."

A hurricane might help break up the oil spill staining the Gulf of Mexico, but the oil won't significantly affect how tropical storms develop, forecasters said.

They don't know what kind of environmental hazards to expect, though there are fears that winds and waves could push the oil deeper into estuaries and wetlands—possibly destroying the coastal marshes that act as a buffer against catastrophic storm surges.

Government scientists said Thursday that anywhere from 500,000 gallons to 1 million gallons a day have been leaking from the site where an oil rig exploded April 20, killing 11 people. BP, which leased the rig and is responsible for the cleanup, and the Coast Guard previously had estimated the flow was about 210,000 gallons per day.

The expanding slick already has coated wildlife and marshes in Louisiana, but Lubchenco said the spill is still small relative to hurricanes—which sometimes can span the entire Gulf.

As members of Congress debated military policy, the nation's top uniformed military officer Wednesday repeated his support for repealing the "don't ask, don't tell" policy. "Personal opinion? I believe it's time. I believe we need to change it," Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told about 500 service members at Peterson Air Force Base. **АР РНОТО** 



# Senate panel, House vote to end gay ban

### **Associated Press**

**WASHINGTON** The House has voted to repeal the 1993 law known as "don't ask, don't tell" and allow gays to serve openly in the military.

The House vote Thursday came several hours after the Senate Armed Services Committee took the same course and approved a measure repealing the policy that prohibits service by gays who openly acknowledge their sexual orientation.

The House vote was 234-194, with 229 Democrats and five Republicans in favor, after an emotional debate. Opposed were 168 Republicans and 26 Democrats.

The House vote was a victory for Presi-

dent Obama, who has pushed for a change in military policy, and for gay rights groups who have made an end to "don't ask, don't tell" their top legislative priority.

Republicans said Congress should wait until the Pentagon completes a review of the effects of a repeal on military life.

In a 16-12 vote, the Senate Armed Services Committee approved the provision.

Sen. Susan Collins of Maine, the only Republican to vote for the amendment to a defense spending bill, said it passed after "vigorous and aggressive debate."

Sen. Joe Lieberman (I-Conn.), who promoted the measure with Armed Services Chairman Carl Levin (D-Mich.), said: "It's

time for this policy to go. It doesn't reflect America's best values of equal opportunity, and it's not good for the military."

The measure could face a filibuster when it reaches the Senate floor. "I think it's really going to be very harmful to the morale and effectiveness of our military," said Sen. John McCain of Arizona, the top Republican on the Armed Services Committee.

The votes were welcomed by some.

"This is the beginning of the end of a shameful ban on open service by lesbian and gay troops that has weakened our national security," said Joe Solmonese, president of Human Rights Campaign, a leading gay rights organization.

### Not on her watch: Nun puts thief in his place

A thief turned out to be no match for a little nun with a commanding voice.

Sister Lynn Rettinger didn't even have to break out a ruler for a man who reached into an opened car window and stole a

wallet Tuesday in Pittsburgh, Pa. She just needed the tone of voice she's used for nearly 50 years in Catholic schools.

After a teacher saw the man swipe the wallet, the diminutive principal of Sacred

Heart Elementary School went outside and firmly told the man: "You need to give me what you have."

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Check out Kyra Kyle's' ringtone rap, "Shamrock Shake," at redeyechicago. com/kylesfiles and let her know what you think of the finished product. See the entire team behind the project and making-of photos.

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### It's a rap: Ringtone project is complete

I'm an unapologetic fan of hip-hop music. Correction: I'm an unapologetic fan of good hip-hop music.

No matter what my RedEye role has been during the past five years, I've incorporated my love of the genre into an assortment of assignments. (What other journalist could slip a Wu Tang reference into a column about CTA bus driver policy?)



That's why it pains me so deeply to watch (c)rap completely taking over the industry, driving the lyricism, CNN-style street commentary and hard-hitting consciousness out of the mainstream game.

As Chris Rock joked in "Never Scared," rap fandom is getting harder and harder to defend.

But somebody's got to try. Thus began the Ringtone Rap Project. In an effort to prove that speak-and-say, drug game-obsessed artists don't deserve all our attention and money, I did the unthinkable. I became a ringtone rapper called K2, aka Niaomi Rambles.

I recruited a talented team including a music producer, videographer and a real singer/rapper/producer to help me write and record a bouncy but numb-brained anthem called the "Shamrock Shake."

We recorded it in the RedEye conference room, using nothing more than a laptop, microphone and half our brainpower. It took local producer Antongenius only about 15 minutes to cook up two versions of a bass-heavy, warbling beat.

Videographer and retired rapper Al "Flimackgod" Hardy spent approximately 20 minutes quarterbacking corny, intentionally idiotic lyrics. In less than 30 seconds, rapper/rocker/singer/producer Nikki Lynette developed and delivered an annoyingly catchy hook.

Then, we took it to the next logical level.

We committed to a ri-donkulous photo shoot rivaling only Young Money or vintage No Limit for fakest backdrop and gangsta-looking imagery ever.

And yes, this involved me rocking leggings, uber-high heels and green lipstick with glitter. Check out my K2 humiliation at redeye chicago.com/kylesfiles.

But it'll be worth it if I can get just three rap fans to see through the smoke-and-mirror MCs, including Soulja Boy Tell 'Em, Gucci Mane, Plies and insert the Young-Money-member-that-isn't-Drake-or-

Music with a hot beat and sticky hook is cool, and hell, I know all the words to "Lemonade," but today's MCs need to work harder for their fame and fortune.

If a RedEye reporter can round up an impromptu team and whip up a song that fits right in on "106 and Park," something is seriously wrong with rap.



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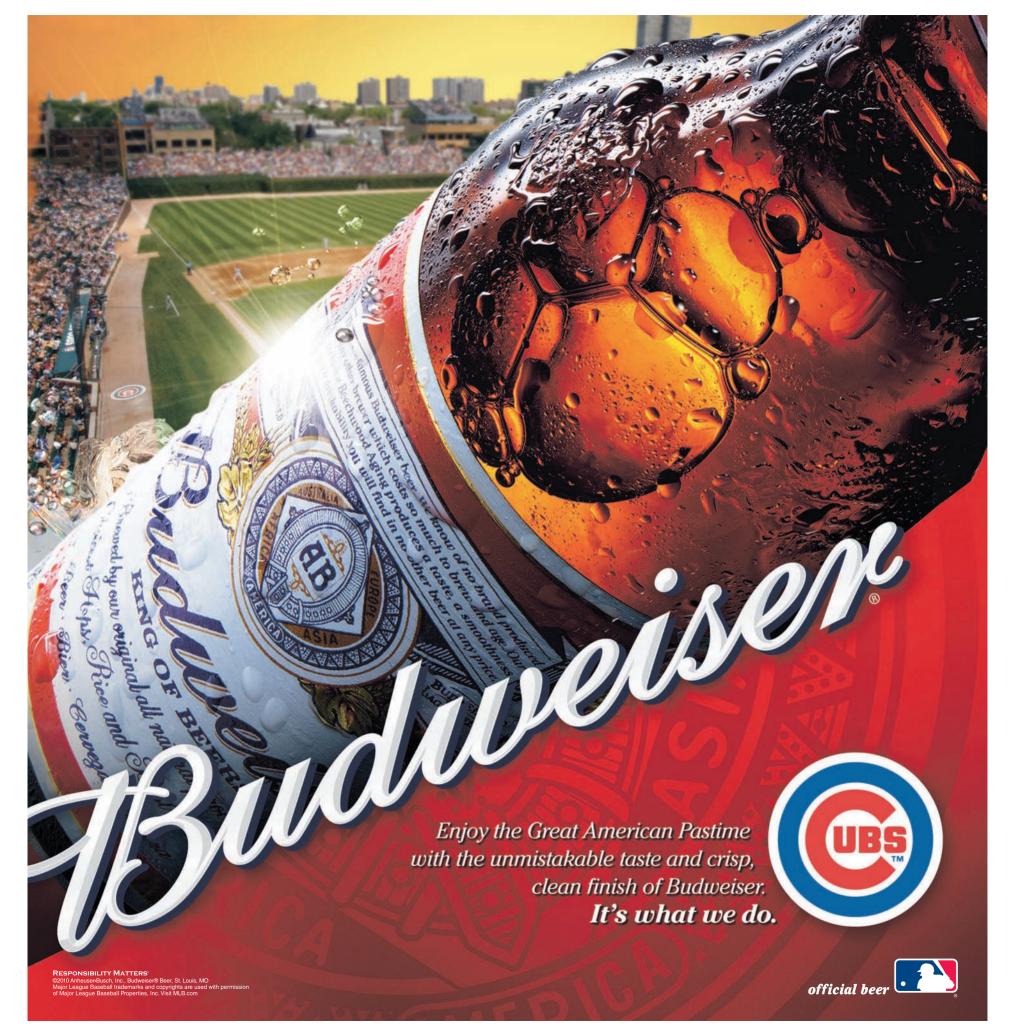
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Jehreal Webster pours water into an oasis in the sand as his daughter, Jahnahn, plays at 57th Street Beach. scott strazzante/tribune

# High-tech beach safety

### **Chicago Tribune**

So much for the old warning flag on a stick. Confronting an almost unwinnable battle against E. coli and other bacteria on public beaches, Chicago and some of its suburbs have taken the fight into the digital age.

From computer models that can predict conditions where bacteria will thrive, to swimming alerts and beach closures sent out via Twitter, Facebook and text message, officials have adopted high-tech strategies to better inform beachgoers of unhealthy conditions.

"That's how people live now," said Cathy Breitenbach, manager of the Chicago Park District's Office of Green Initiatives. "People have an expectation today to get information quickly and in multiple ways. We're doing our best to meet that expectation."

As thousands across Chicago and the suburbs hit the beach this Memorial Day weekend, health officials warn of the dangers lurking out of sight.

The popular beaches that line the lake-

front in Chicago and communities to the north have long been a melting pot for E. coli and other harmful bacteria. Storm water runoff, pet waste, bird droppings and trash contribute to microscopic mountains of filth that can lead to sore throats, stomachaches and all kinds of ailments.

The number of swimming bans has increased in recent years, officials say, likely due to more frequent testing for bacteria than an actual drop-off in water quality. Each weekday morning, researchers walk the city's 31 beaches collecting water samples in small plastic tubes and sending them to a lab for analysis.

The trouble with that method of water sampling is that results aren't known until the next day. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Geological Survey are pioneering research off Chicago's beaches, using DNA analysis to test for bacteria, that will one day shorten the lab work to a couple of hours, allowing for almost instantaneous water monitoring, said Richard Whitman, a USGS ecologist.

### **DALEY: WE'RE WORKING ON IT**

Mayor Daley and Police Supt. Jody Weis on Thursday said the city will work to make sure the beaches are safe this summer, following 22 arrests of young people who were fighting and causing other disturbances this week around North Avenue Beach. "We know there's texting going on, something going on in the suburban area with a lot of young adults," Daley said. Suburban youths apparently are sending each other texts to meet up and drink on Chicago beaches, he said. Weis said that of the 22 people arrested Monday and Tuesday on the beach. 14 were suburbanites.

### **GUARDIAN ANGELS ON ALERT**

Following arrests along Chicago's North Side lakefront that raised safety concerns, volunteer safety group the Guardian Angels began patrolling the area overnight. The Angels are identifiable by their trademark red berets and white T-Shirts with a red logo that reads, "Guardian Angels Safety Patrol."

### New 'L' cars put on hold

### Chicago Tribune

The new CTA rail cars undergoing testing have been removed from service temporarily for repairs to fix a potential problem with the brakes, transit officials said Thursday.

Vibrations were affecting a component in the braking system, CTA engineers found. The vibrations could cause the "slack adjuster" in the brake to loosen and result in a loss of braking friction during extended use. The slack adjuster makes accommodations for the amount of wear on the brake pads over time.

There have been no cases of brake failure, officials said. They added that they have known about the issue for months and were waiting for a replacement part from Bombardier Transit Corp., which manufactured the 10 prototype trains the CTA has been testing.

"The new part is ready now," CTA spokeswoman Noelle Gaffney said.

CTA officials said they expected the rail cars to resume passenger service on the Green Line in a few weeks after the adjustments are made and the trains are tested without any passengers on board.

The test trains had been carrying passengers on the Red Line since mid-April and on the Green Line since last week. The braking issue marks the first major problem with the new 5000 series trains since testing began last fall, officials said.

CTA President Richard Rodriguez said the transit agency will not finalize a planned \$674 million order with Bombardier for 406 rail cars until "all of the mechanisms have been satisfactorily tested and evaluated."

The new rail cars contain a number of new features, including mostly aisle-facing seats and an AC propulsion system to provide smoother acceleration and braking.



The CTA has been testing new rail cars since mid-April. The 10 prototype cars will go back in service after they are repaired.

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### Sweet home, Chicago

The Obama family arrives Thursday in Chicago for their Memorial Day weekend vacation. E. JASON WAMBSGANS/TRIBUNE

# Inmate charged in Riley Fox case

### **Chicago Tribune**

Prosecutors on Thursday charged an imprisoned sex offender with raping and murdering a 3-yearold girl whose father initially was blamed for her death.

Will County State's Attorney James Glasgow charged Scott Eby, 38, with first-degree murder and predatory criminal sexual assault of a child in the 2004 death of Riley Fox, who vanished from her home and whose body later was found in a creek four miles away.

According to the criminal complaint, the 6-foot-2-inch, 230-pound Eby held the bound girl underwater until she drowned.

Her death gained widespread media attention, both during the search and after authorities accused her father, Kevin Fox.

Fox was charged after he implicated himself under intense ques-



Scott Eby



Riley Fox

tioning. he later said he only did so in exchange for leniency and losing after during hope an overnight interrogation that lasted more than 14 hours.

Fox spent eight months in jail in the killing before DNA evidence gathered from the

girl and duct tape placed over her mouth showed he was not her killer. Glasgow, whose predecessor charged Fox, cleared the father after taking office.

### Slain officer mourned

Hundreds of mourners turned out Thursday for Chicago Police Officer Thomas Wortham IV's visitation at a funeral home on the South Side. The National Guard veteran was killed last week.

### **Boy's life remembered**

Friends and family gathered Thursday beside the coffin of Cashmere Castillo, 8, at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church to remember his brief but vivid life. The boy fell into the Chicago River almost two weeks ago.

### **Daley mum on case**

Mayor Daley on Thursday refused to say whether an 80-year-old Army veteran who shot and killed an intruder will be charged under the city's handgun ban. Asked about the possibility of charges, the mayor ended his news conference.

### **Judge: No Blago trial delay**

The judge overseeing the corruption case against former Gov. Rod Blagojevich on Thursday denied a defense bid to delay the start of Blagojevich's trial next week because of the way the jurors were screened.



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### Jamaican death toll hits 73

Jamaican police say at least 73 people have died in Kingston as security forces hunt for a reputed drug lord wanted by the United States. Deputy Police Chief Glenmore Hinds says the deaths have occurred as police raided the Tivoli Gardens stronghold of Christopher Coke. AP PHOTO

### **Coleman hospitalized**

Former child TV star Gary Coleman is in critical condition near his Utah home, a hospital spokeswoman said Thursday. **Utah Valley Regional Medical Center** spokeswoman Janet Frank said Coleman, 42, was admitted to the Provo facility Wednesday, but she couldn't release any other details.

### Navy recruits sea mammals

The Navy said Wednesday that dolphins and sea lions will stand guard this year at a Washington state submarine base to detect any underwater swimmers who might approach the base on the Hood Canal.

### Korean tensions rise

Military tension on the Korean peninsula rose Thursday after North Korea threatened to attack any South Korean ships entering its waters and Seoul held anti-submarine drills in response to the March sinking of a navy vessel blamed on Pyongyang, North Korea.

### **Deadly train crash in India**

An overnight passenger train was derailed by an explosion then hit by another train early Friday as it traveled through a rebel stronghold of eastern India, a railway official said. A government official said at least 15 people had been killed and 150 injured.

### **THE DIGIT**

### 15 pounds

Chelsea Clinton gave her father strict orders to drop 15 pounds before her summer wedding-and former President Bill Clinton says he's nearly met that goal. A noticeably thinner Clinton was at the White House on Thursday and said he has just two pounds to go.



# **GULF DISASTER ECLIPSES VALDEZ**

### Oil leak becomes biggest in U.S. as BP continues efforts to stem flow

ROBERT, La. BP suspended its attempt to choke off the gusher at the bottom of the Gulf of Mexico on Thursday so crews could monitor their work and bring in more drilling mud, but the company said everything was going as planned and the effort was expected to resume later in the evening.

News that it would be at least 24 more hours before officials know if the procedure called a "top kill" will work came as dire new government estimates showed the disaster easily has eclipsed the Exxon Valdez as the biggest oil spill in U.S. history.

As the world waited, President Obama announced major new restrictions on drilling projects, and the head of the federal agency that regulates the industry resigned under pressure, becoming the highest-ranking political casualty of the crisis so far.

BP started shooting heavy drilling mud into the blown-out well 5,000 feet underwater Wednesday afternoon, then stopped later that night to monitor the work and bring in another 630,000 gallons of mud, said BP Chief Operating Officer Doug Suttles, who insisted nothing had gone wrong.

"The fact that it's taken more than 24 hours is not a big surprise," he said. "We'll stay at this until we're successful or we determine we can't be successful."

He said crews may also shoot assorted junk such as golf balls and rubber scraps into a piece of equipment known as a blowout preventer to fill holes.

The top kill try was the latest in a string of attempts to stop the oil that has been

spewing for five weeks, since the Deepwater Horizon rig exploded and sank off the coast of Louisiana. Eleven workers were killed in the accident.

If the procedure works, BP will inject cement into the well to seal it permanently. If it doesn't, the company has a number of backup plans. Either way, crews will continue to drill two relief wells, considered the only surefire way to stop the leak.

A top kill has never been attempted before so deep underwater.

The stakes were higher than ever as public frustration over the spill grew and a team of government scientists said the oil has been flowing at a rate 21/2 to five times higher than what BP and the Coast Guard initially estimated.

Two teams of scientists calculated the well has been spewing between 504,000 gallons and more than 1 million gallons a day. Even



### **CLEANUP COST**

Federal officials say cleaning up the massive oil spill already has cost the government \$87 million, making it the third-most expensive cleanup effort in the country's history. Seven cleanup crew members who reported dizziness, severe headaches and nausea while working in boats off the Louisiana coast remained hospitalized Thursday

using the most conservative estimate, that means about 18 million gallons have spilled so far. In the worst-case scenario, 39 million gallons have leaked.

That larger figure would be nearly four times the size of the Exxon Valdez disaster, in which a tanker ran aground in Alaska in 1989, spilling nearly 11 million gallons.

The spill is not the biggest ever in the Gulf. In 1979, a drilling rig in Mexican waters—the Ixtoc I—blew up, releasing 140 million gallons of oil.

In another troubling discovery, marine scientists said they have spotted a huge new plume of what they believe to be oil deep beneath the Gulf, stretching 22 miles from the leaking wellhead northeast toward Mobile Bay, Ala. They fear it could have resulted from using chemicals a mile below the surface to break up the oil.

# **Obama** takes reins in cleanup

**WASHINGTON** Thrown on the defensive, President Obama acknowledged that his administration could have done better in dealing with the biggest oil spill in the nation's history and misjudged the industry's ability to cope with a worst-case scenario. Obama will make his second tour of the battered Gulf Coast on Friday.

"I take responsibility. It is my job to make sure that everything is done to shut this down," Obama declared in a lengthy news conference at the White House on Thursday.

Obama's words marked a clear shift of emphasis for an administration that previously had said it was generally "in charge" but there were limits to what it could do-and that oil giant BP was responsible for stopping the flow and cleaning up the disastrous damage.

"Those who think we were either slow on the response or lacked urgency, don't know the facts," Obama said at a White House news conference at which he also announced new restrictions on offshore drilling. Separately, Elizabeth Birnbaum, the head of the Minerals Management Service that oversees offshore drilling, resigned under pressure.

Asked about comparisons to the Bush administration's much-criticized handling of the Hurricane Katrina aftermath, he said that was for others to judge but insisted his administration has been active from the start.

"This has been our highest priority" since the rig exploded, he said, making the point repeatedly.



President Obama addresses the Gulf oil disaster Thursday at a news conference in Washington, D.C. GETTY IMAGES



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### FANS ALL OVER THE CITY SWEPT UP IN STANLEY CUP BUZZ

### RedEye

It's official: Chicago has Blackhawks fever. The subject is on the tip of everyone's tongue as the Hawks prepare to open the Stanley Cup finals Saturday night against the Philadelphia Flyers at the United Center. That's to be expected, considering the Hawks haven't been to the finals since 1992 or won a title since 1961. The drought makes this run to the Cup that much more satisfying for Blackhawks nation. RedEye asked fans citywide about the excitement surrounding the Hawks. Here's what we heard.



"I feel like everyone has become a Blackhawks fan. There's definitely an excitement in the air." BRENDAN HEALY, 21. ROGERS PARK

### How has the Blackhawks' playoff run changed your everyday life?



"I definitely have become a bigger fan. It's exciting to see how the entire city has supported the Blackhawks." ASHLEY WELENC, 19,



"It hasn't really. My boyfriend watches it with his buddies. HANNAH MARTIN, 20, FRANKFORT



"Nothing's different in my life. No matter if they're winning or losing, hockey is on [in my house]." MOLLY GRIMM-LEASURE, 28, LITTLE ITALY



"I've caught most of the games, [so] I'm drunk a lot more.' LISA MEINDL, 26, UKRAINIAN VILLAGE



"It's escapism. recreation. It's just fun to watch this BEN NOTO, 48, O'HARE



"I see a lot more Blackhawks fans around. MELISSA HEINE, 21, LITTLE ITALY



"I didn't know they were in the playoffs." AKIBU REASE, 25, ROGERS PARK



"Not really" RYAN PTAK, 27, UNIVERSITY VILLAGE

### How would you celebrate a Blackhawks title?



'I'd go find a Blackhawk to celebrate with. They're cute, snaggleteeth and all."





"I'm not a Sox fan so I haven't seen a title in Chicago in a long time. I'd be out celebrating. I imagine everyone in the

city would go crazy, and I'd want to be out with them." JOHN PARISE, 25, LOOP



HEATHER GREITER, 22, YORKVILLE

a couple celebration beers

'I would

probably

be drinking a lot, have

> next day." JOEY HYNES, 19, JEFFERSON PARK



"I would celebrate by encouraging more children to play hockey."

DARCELL DAWSON, 20, DOWNTOWN







"After watching ...
and breaking everything in the house,
I'd buy a bottle and
call a few friends
over and get some
food and celebrate

we finally won something."

MARK SMITH, 21, MAYWOOD



"Just toast a drink to them just like I would to any other title."

CLIFTON WILLIAMS, 37, BRONZEVILLE



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Oh. thev're fantastic. They're young, they're amazing and they are your Blackhawks. They're about to win it all for the first time since 1961—the Kennedy years. We were all so young—or not even born-and everything seemed possible. Anyway, everything looks amazing, though

it is my job to come up with nightmare scenarios.

And boy, have I got one. We'll call it the former Blackhawks goalie scenario. Look, I love Antti Niemi, but there's only one other goalie that's maybe hotter right now, and that happens to be ... oops, Flyers goalie Michael Leighton. He's a former Blackhawk. That's right, he played here. In fact, the Blackhawks drafted him in 1999. He played in the big show in the 2002 and 2003 seasons. He backed up Jocelyn Thibault. Therein lies the problem.

Blackhawks goalies, the really good ones, seem to go on and win Stanley Cups—after they leave Chicago. I'm going to throw out two names for you: Ed Belfour and Dominik Hasek. Belfour was a phenomenal goalie, but he won it all with the Dallas Stars (Gosh, that hurts to say. Dallas, hockey?) Hasek was Belfour's backup. And he won it all with ... De ... I can't say it. Detroit.

So that's why I'm scared of Michael Leighton. You should be too. But hey, we're the better, deeper team. Tougher too. Duncan Keith and his seven teeth. You know, I thought I was tough—kidding.

A complaint though. Games 1 and 2, here in Chicago, are on NBC. Fair enough. Then, Games 3 and 4 are on Versus. Great station. If you can find it. The rest are on NBC—if there are any.

And I have a feeling there will be. This one's going at least six. No one wins a game by more than one goal. In the end, the hottest goaltender takes the Cup.

I wish I knew who that was ...

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the Ice Crew.



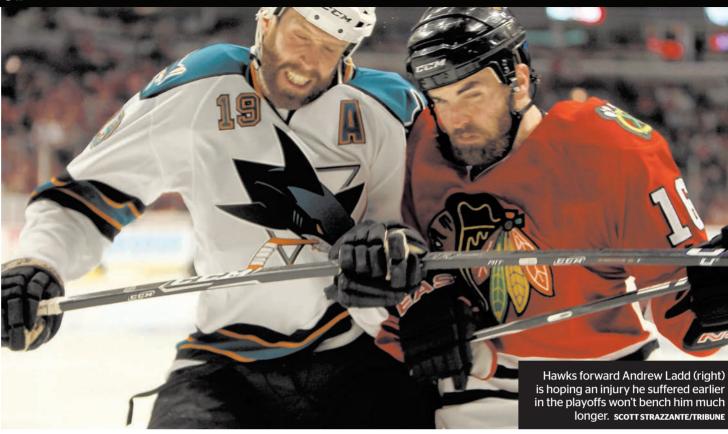
**Vince Vaughn**Wearing a Hawks shirt on the set of his movie filming in Chicago.



**Air Toews**The Jordan statue at the UC wears Toews' No. 19 jersey now.



No overconfidence Patrick Sharp says series will be close. Close to a sweep, maybe.



# Ladd wants to play

### **Chicago Tribune**

Keeping an injured hockey player off the ice is difficult. Keeping one away from competition during the Stanley Cup finals is even more challenging.

Blackhawks veteran winger Andrew Ladd doesn't plan on missing any more time.

He has not practiced since leaving in the first period of the Game 4 Western Conference finals victory against the Sharks with an undisclosed injury, but Ladd said he feels like he will be ready Saturday when the Hawks host the Flyers in Game 1 of the championship series.

"I'm feeling confident I'm going to play in the series," he said. "I'm feeling better every day."

Ladd said he could not reveal the specifics of his injury or whether he had medical tests. Watching his team play the rest of the seriesclinching game against the Sharks wasn't without some anxiety.

"It was tough," he said. "It was a little different behind the scenes."

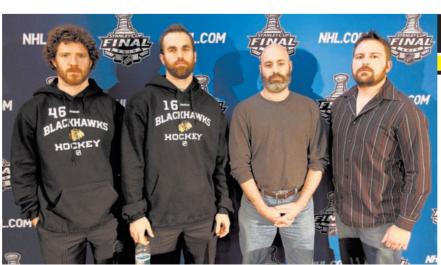
Ladd already knows what it's like to be front and center while winning the Stanley Cup. And

he knows about competing for Flyers coach Peter Laviolette, who coached him in Carolina.

In 2005-06, Ladd made his professional debut with the Hurricanes and he scored two goals and three assists through the playoff run that culminated in a Stanley Cup.

Even though Ladd said they haven't talked since he left for the Hawks in 2008, he's aware of the strength of a Laviolette-coached team.

"The pace of the game," Ladd recalled. "He plays at a high level, a lot of speed, not afraid to take chances."



### Hey, beardman

### **DAY 45**

It's the Stanley Cup final edition of the Blackhawks vs. RedEye playoff beardoff, so we decided to do something special. Blackhawks Colin Fraser and Andrew Ladd and RedEye's Jimmy Greenfield and Alex Quigley had a gathering of the beardmen to compare their growth face to face. Call it a beardoff faceoff. Who's winning? Text "beard" followed by the number of your choice to 87708 or go to bit.ly/heybeardman.

- Colin Fraser
   Andrew Ladd
- 3. Jimmy Greenfield
- **4.** Alex Quigley

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### Finals answers

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### TOPIC

It's the eve of the Stanley Cup finals and all through the city ...



How can you tell Philadelphia Flyers fans are in town?

What's the danger in Blackhawk Adam Burish attending so many Cubs games?

What landmark would you like to see wear oversized Blackhawks gear?

Whom is this quote about: "You just look at him and you know that he's ready to go."



**TRACY SWARTZ** 

... Blackhawks fans are conceiving a bunch of lil Ladds.

On the playground is where they spend most of their days. (Stay away from North Avenue beach!)

Aggressive Claps.

Oprah.

Jo Noah.



**CHRIS SOSA** 

... guys tell jokes so they can seem witty. Don't just stand there, bust a movel

They booed the sun this morning.

The Cubs will end up walking him.

The Lincoln Memorial. Not even Abe has seen the Hawks win a Stanley Cup.

Coach Q's mustache.



... only one Chicago team doesn't sit at the championship table, my what a pity.

Dead giveaway: anyone who orders cheese "wit" their Italian beef

Actually, watching Carlos Zambrano's postgame meltdowns could improve his hitting technique.

The White Sox scoreboard when it displays Bobby Jenks' ERA.

LeBron James on staying in Cleveland. Fingers crossed, Bulls fans!



**SUPRIYA DOSHI** 

... and on the Hawks, I'm betting a fitty.

Lot of fights breaking out.

Or maybe that's just how Hawks fans get themselves riled up.

He might forget that this vear, for once, the Hawks still have games to play.

Mayor Daley. What? He might as well be a landmark.

Chris. That's why he's dancing around—he really has to go.



... no one has polished me yet, I'm looking [bleep].

Batteries are sold out all over the city.

Lou Piniella moves him to the bullpen, ruling him out vs. the Flyers.

It'd be cool to see the Bean bathed in red light. Then it'd be a kidney bean.

Ozzie Guillen, via umpire Joe West.



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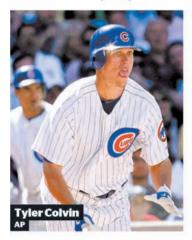


### THURSDAY'S SCORES

- »Cubs 1, L.A. Dodgers O
- » Tampa Bay 5, White Sox 1

### FRIDAY'S GAMES

- » Cubs vs. St. Louis
- » White Sox at Tampa Bay



### HERO OF THE DAY

### **Tyler Colvin**

The outfielder drove in the lone, game-winning run in the Cubs' shutout.

### **DUD OF THE DAY**

### Paul Konerko

Went O-for-4, left three men stranded and struck out twice in a loss.

### **BETTER 'CUE FOR SOX**

The Sox might not be having the most spectacular season, but there's a new reason to visit U.S. Cellular Field this summer. Smoque, the BBQ joint that has reached an echelon of must-visits among 'cue aficionados, will be operating a stall at the stadium starting Tuesday.

### **THE DIGIT**

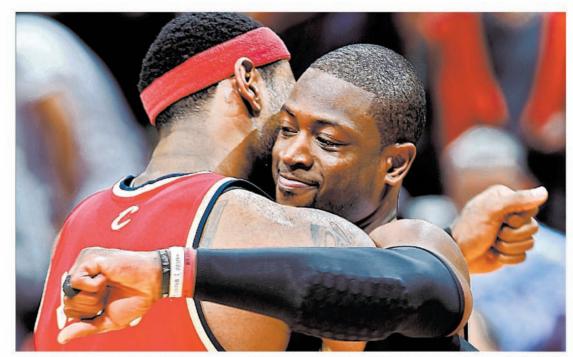
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Sean Marshall's ERA since April 24.

### **OZZIE'S QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"If Major League Baseball is going to do something, they know where to find me."

-Guillen on his possible suspension for criticizing an umpire



Native Chicagoan and current Miami Heat player Dwyane Wade recently has taken heat for questioning the Bulls' loyalty to their players. carl Juste/Miami Herald/McT FILE

# **Bulls react to Wade**

Next month marks the seven-year anniversary of Jay Williams' career-ending motorcycle accident on the city's North Side. Eight months later, despite Williams' act violating his player contract, the Bulls wrote him a \$3 million check.

"D-Wade is absolutely wrong," Williams said Thursday evening in a phone interview. "The Bulls did nothing but stand up for me in a time of trouble. ... They kept me on medical insurance through surgery after surgery. They showed me the family style that the organization was run by. I have no words to explain what they did for me. I'm thankful to them for the rest of my life."

As Dwyane Wade attempted to backtrack from questioning his hometown franchise's loyalty to players in Thursday's Tribune, several with ties to the Bulls advanced full speed in defense of their organization.

Franchise giant Bob Love even called from his hospital bed.

"I haven't walked in almost three weeks," Love told the Tribune. "I've been really down. I suffered an acute case of gout that I almost caught too late. ... Jerry Reinsdorf, [marketing vice president] Steve

Schanwald and [legal vice president] Irwin Mandel searched around and found doctors for me. They said, 'Don't worry about the costs.'"

Wade most strongly questioned why Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen are no longer with the Bulls' organization. And while many around the league chalked Wade's comments up to a preemptive strike in free agency because the Heat, like the Bulls, can sign a maximum free agent this summer, the Bulls' reactions ranged from livid to laughter.

"It's funny because sometimes you hear other people say Jerry can be too loyal," said Randy Brown, a former player and now a player development coach.

Brown joins Love, Paxson, Pete Myers, Bill Wennington and Stacey King as former players currently working for the organization. The late Johnny "Red" Kerr and Norm Van Lier had longtime roles.

Jerry Sloan and Bill Cartwright once coached the team. B.J. Armstrong once worked in the front office, where behind-the-scenes people such as Mandel, Schanwald, media relations director Tim Hallam and senior ticket director Joe O'Neil have worked for more than 25 years.



I bet you're expecting me to predict the Blackhawks-Flyers series. You've bet correctly. Hawks in six. Book it. Done. Here now, my picks.

### Cubs vs. St. Louis





Division collision.



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Rays 7, Sox 4. Rays are the best in baseball. Sox aren't.

### Boston vs. Orlando 7:30 p.m. ESPN

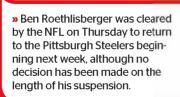


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### By M. Kathleen Pratt

Memorial Day is all about two things: Barbecuing, and getting stuck in crazy traffic on the way out of town. And the latter, if you ask us, is reason enough to keep it local and spend your time barbecuing.

If you're sticking close to home this weekend, why not keep it truly local? Sweet Baby Ray, we love you, but there's no shortage of Chicago alternatives. To help stoke your fire, we put a few local sauces to the test and picked a winner. Too busy sleeping late and lazing near the lakefront to cook? We've got carryout options too.

### **THE CLASSIC**

Carson's Signature Barbecue Sauce \$5.95 Carson's The Place for Ribs, 612 N. Wells St. 312-280-9200

Local 'cue joint Carson's has been kicking out ribs since 1977, and many loyal followers swear by the sauce. You can pick up a bottle at the River North location, which does a bang-up carryout business in addition to sit-down service in the very old-school dining room, or order it by the pint online at **ribs.com**. Carson's has amassed so many fans over the years that shipping is available nationwide. (Regular local delivery service, however, is not.)

Consistency: Thick and lush, with small chunks of skin-on tomato right in the sauce. We couldn't believe how evenly it cooked.

**Flavor:** Robust and just a bit tangy with appealing molasses-and-brown-sugar sweetness.

**Spice:** Very well integrated, delivering a welcome kick at the

end. Though the heat lingers, citrus and sugars keep it safely in check.

**Bottom line:** Hands-down, the best sauce we tried.

**Let them cook:** Regular carryout menu (except weekday lunchbox specials) available, including half- and full-slabs of ribs (\$15.75, \$22.50).

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Memorial Day.



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### « Bar DeVille

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Keep the momentum going
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Saturday. No cover.

### Zella

1983 N. Clybourn Ave. 773-549-2910

Feast on hot dogs (\$2), burgers (\$4), chicken sandwiches (\$5) and more hot-off-the-grill fare on the patio. Drink specials include \$2.50 Miller Lite bottles, \$3.50 cocktails and \$4 house wine. 3 p.m. Sunday. No cover.



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**Smoke Daddy Original \$4.50** The Smoke Daddy Rhythm and Bar-B-Que, 1804 W. Division St. 773-772-6656

> Unlike the big boys (Carson's. Robinson's No. 1 Ribs), this Wicker Park barbecue-and-blues joint started bottling its three signature sauces, Original, Mustard Q, and Sweet and Smokey, only a few years ago. Since then, bottles have popped up on shelves at just about every cute little indie grocer in town, including Olivia's Market (2014 W. Wabansia Ave., where we purchased ours for \$4.99), Southport Grocery & Cafe (3552 N. Southport Ave.), and Provenance Food and Wine (2528 N. California Ave., 2312 W. Leland

Consistency: Easy to pour from the bottle, but sticks well to a piece of meat. Good on the grill

Flavor: Lots of toasty spices and deep smokiness (love that liquid smoke!), but the spicy-sweet balance skews heavily toward spice. Cider vinegar adds a solid tang. Spice: If you like it spicy, this

Bottom line: Tasty on the grill, less so on the side, when some of the spices (namely, the chili powder and paprika) become

Let them cook: Regular menu, including half- and full-slabs (\$14.50, \$21.50) of ribs, available for carryout and delivery. Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Memorial Day. Call for delivery hours.

### **THE NEW KID**

### **Brand BBQ Sauce—Classic**

\$4 (4-ounce), \$6 (8-ounce), Brand BBQ Market, 2824 W. Armitage Ave. 773-687-8148

> The newest 'cue spot in town, this 7-month-old Logan Square BYOB hasn't gotten around to bottling sauce yet. But due to demand, owners recently began selling all seven varieties (options range from bourbon-mustard to brandycherry to Caribbean jerk), in plastic squirt bottles, which we found convenient for applying extra sauce while grilling. Though we're partial to the smoky-spicy sauce for its deeper chipotle flavor, we used the classic sauce here since it's the closest thing to a traditional sauce. Consistency: Thinner than you may be accustomed to. Have a brush at the ready or you'll lose a lot to the coals.

> Flavor: Though it's touted as a tomato-based sauce, we got healthy dose of vinegar—this is true to Brand's style. The seasonings aren't terribly well integrated (heat helps smooth things out), but we sure didn't mind the upfront garlic or the hint of coffee.

Spice: Hello, black pepper! Bottom line: The consistency makes this more marinade than sauce, at least by Chicago standards. Though Brand serves it on the side, we preferred it on the meat. Alone, the black pepper and vinegar can be overpowering. Let them cook: Pick up a full slab (\$13.95) of house-smoked ribs, then finish them on the grill back home. Order at least 24 hours in advance. Open 5-10 p.m. Sunday. Closed Memorial Day.

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1840 W. North Ave. 773-342-1840

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810 W. Diversey Pkwy. 773-525-2515 Splash in kiddie pools and play in the sand at this indoor luau with a costume contest and food-anddrink package that includes a buffet, mai tais, Bud Light drafts. wine and more. 8 p.m.-midnight.



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### **UNCLE FATTY'S RUM RESORT**

9 p.m.: Ludacris' Offi-

cial Concert Afterparty. Ludacris hosts this official afterparty following his performance at DePaul's Fest 2010. Hip-hop cover group Lt. Dan's New Legs performs and DJ Dante the Don spins. \$10-\$20 for general admission. \$60 ticket includes a drink package. Tickets: brownpapertickets.

9 p.m.: A Fashion Love Affair: Celebrating a Year of Borrow a Dress Couture. A spring fashion show includes cocktails (9-10 p.m.), gift bags and a raffle. No cover: 1100 W. Randolph St. 312-829-4805.

### com/event/113498:

2833 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-477-3661.

### UNDERGROUND LOUNGE

9 p.m.: Stardust Show-

case. Catch a lineup of emerging local comedians. Music sets by two bands follow the show \$8 \$6 for students; 952 W. Newport Ave. 708-744-4407.

### **FRIDAY DEALS**

### **ABERDEEN**

\$5 bombs, half-price fish tacos. 1856 W. North Ave. 773-772-5500.

### **BECKETT'S**

\$3 Goose Island 312 bottles, \$4 Dogfish Head 60 Minute IPA drafts, \$4 Smirnoff cocktails and Bacardi O bombs; 3210 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-880-9620.

### **THE CALL**

\$1 Dekuyper shots, \$4 Bacardi cocktails and bombs: 1547 W. Bryn Mawr Ave. 773-334-2525.

### **DISTRICT BAR**

\$1 select appetizers. \$5 raspberry mojitos; 170 W. Ontario St. 312-337-3477.

### **FAITH & WHISKEY**

\$5 Jim Beam shots and cocktails, \$10 domestic pitchers, video power hour 8-9 p.m. Free pizza buffet 5-8 p.m.; 1365 W. Fullerton Ave. 773-248-9119.

### **FIZZ BAR & GRILL**

\$5 Jameson cocktails, half price appetizers (before 8 p.m.). Excludes calamari; 3220 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-348-6088

### **GALLERY CABARET**

\$2 Leinenkugel drafts, \$3 Pilsner Urquell drafts, \$6 Leinenkugel pitchers, \$10 Pilsner Urquell pitchers; 2020 N. Oaklev Ave. 773-489-5471.

### **HACKNEY'S**

\$4 Jeremiah Weed sweet tea vodka and lemonade: 733 S. Dearborn St. 312-461-1116.

### HALSTED'S

\$5 Skyy cocktails and bombs, \$10 Bud Light and Miller Lite pitchers; 3441 N. Halsted St. 773-348-9696.

### **HAMILTON'S PUB**

\$2.75 Bud family bottles, \$4.75 Red Bull vodkas. \$5.50 fish and chips: 6341 N. Broadway. 773-764-8133.

### JUNIOR'S **SPORTS BAR**

\$6 Long Islands and mojitos; 2058 W. Cermak Rd. 773-203-4028.

### LASALLE POWER CO.

\$6 Absolut cocktails, half-price appetizers (4-7 p.m.); 500 N. La Salle St. 312-661-1122

### **LINCOLN STATION**

\$2.50 Bud Light pints, \$3.50 draft of the month, \$7.95 all-youcan-eat fish fry (5 p.m.); 2432 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-472-8100.

### MATISSE

\$5 select martinis; 674 W. Diversey Pkwy. 773-528-6670.

### **MEZE TAPAS LOUNGE**

\$4 tapas (5-7 p.m.), \$15 carafes of sangria; 205 N. Peoria St. 312-666-6625

### THE ORBIT ROOM

\$3 Miller High Life bottles, \$5 Jack Daniel's cocktails, \$7 pizzas; 2959 N. California Ave. 773-588-8540.

### **POITIN STIL**

\$2 Schlitz tallboys, \$3 Beck's tallboys and 22-ounce Chang bottles; 1502 W. Jarvis Ave. 773-338-3285.

### **REGGIE'S MUSIC JOINT**

Half-price bottles of wine. \$3 Shiner bottles. \$5 Stoli and Beefeater martinis; 2105 S. State St. 312-949-0120.

### SIMONE'S BAR

\$7 for a burger, fries and a PBR (until 5 p.m.); 960 W. 18th St. 312-666-8601.

### THE TEMPLE BAR

\$4 Corona bottles, \$4 Heineken bottles and drafts, \$5 Patron shots and Grey Goose cocktails; 3001 N. Ashland Ave. 773-248-0990.

### TOWN HALL PLIR

\$3 Labatt Blue drafts, \$3 PBR pints, \$4 microbrew drafts, \$5 Long Islands, \$9 PBR pitchers; 3340 N. Halsted Ave. 773-472-4405.

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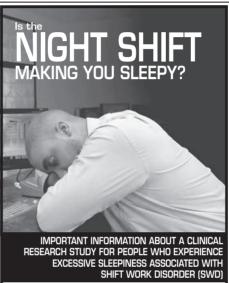
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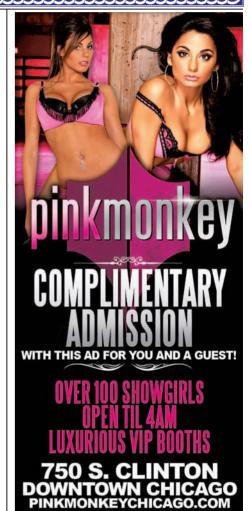
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### **BRIAN JONESTOWN** MASSACRE

Which version of Anton Newcombe will show up? With Elephant Stone. 8 p.m. Sun. \$21. Metro. 3730 N. Clark St. 773-549-0203.



### FRIDAY CONCERTS

### THE 409'S, PLAIN **OLE DELICIOUS.** SARA MASTERSON, JESS GODWIN. JANELLE KROLL

8 p.m. \$9. Elbo Room, 2871 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-549-5549.

### ALO, CHRIS VELAN 9 p.m. \$15. Martvrs'. 3855 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-404-9869.

**ANXIETY HIGH, DONKEY PUNCH, IDEAMEN, AUDIO** VIOLENCE, STUCK UNDERWATER, SONS OF SANCHEZ, THE NATCH, BUMS, **LIARS AND THIEVES BILL URA DIK** 

6 p.m. \$8-\$10. Abbey Pub, 3420 W. Grace St. 773-478-4408.

### BITTER SOBER, THE IVORYS, **THE WESTERN**

11 p.m. \$5. Reggie's Music Joint. 2105 S. State St. 312-949-0120.

### **BRENT PULS.** COUPLESKATE. **MACHINESHOP**

10 p.m. \$7. Hideout, 1354 W. Wabansia Ave. 773-227-4433.

### CAPTAIN, CAPTAIN. **ANDY WAGNER**

10 p.m. \$10 suggested donation. Uncommon Ground on Devon. 1401 W. Devon Ave. 773-465-9801.

### **CLAIRE STAHLECK-ER. MATT KELLY. DAVE CAVALIER**

10 p.m. \$5 suggested donation. Uncommon Ground on Clark. 3800 N. Clark St. 773-929-3680.

### **DAN TRUDELL AND PAT MALLINGER DUO**

8 and 9:45 p.m. \$20. Two drink minimum. Club Blujazz, 1540 W. North Ave. 773-477-6872.

### **FACING FORWARD. MUNROE. A FRIEND CALLED FIRE,** MINUS THE GIRL. **MAN THE MIGHTY**

6 p.m. \$11. Metro, 3730 N. Clark St. 773-549-0203.

### **HIGHWAY 61** REVISITED

8 p.m. \$25. Beverly Arts Center of Chicago, 2407 W. 111th St. 773-445-3838.

### IRA SULLIVAN WITH THE JIM COOPER **SEXTET**

9 p.m. \$12. Green Mill, 4802 N. Broadway. 773-878-5552.

### **JIMMY BURNS**

7 p.m. Free. House of Blues Back Porch Stage, 329 N. Dearborn St. 312-923-2000.

### **MARCUS BELGRAVE/** KIRK LIGHTSEY **OUARTET**

8 and 10 p.m. Cover varies. Jazz Showcase, 806 S. Plymouth Ct. 312-360-0234.

### **MATTHEW SANTOS,** RUMPUS

9 p.m. \$12-\$15. Double Door, 1572 N. Milwaukee Ave 773-489-3160.

### MOUTH OF THE ARCHITECT, RAISE THE RED LANTERN. **BEAK, THE SATIRE**

8 p.m. \$7. Reggie's Rock Club, 2109 S. State St. 312-949-0120.

### **NEAL ALGER QUARTET**

9 p.m. \$15. Pops for Champagne, 601 N. State St. 312-266-7677.

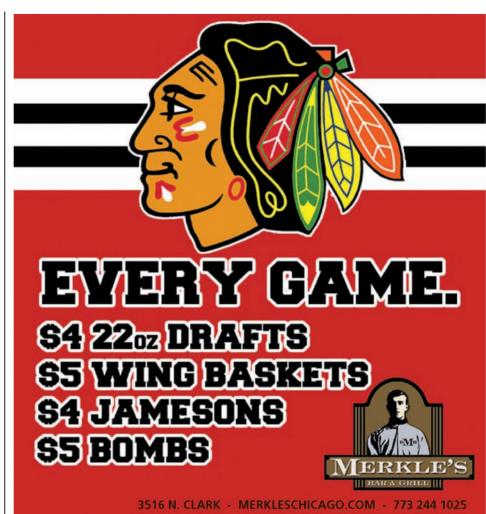
### **NICOLE MITCHELL'S BLACK EARTH ENSEMBLE**

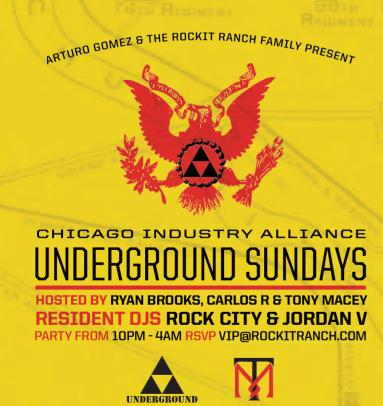
9:30 p.m. Cover varies. The Velvet Lounge, 67 E. Cermak Rd. 312-791-9050.

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7:30 p.m. Free. Harlem Avenue Lounge, 3701 S. Harlem Ave., Berwyn. 708-484-3610.

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6 p.m. \$8-\$10. Abbey Pub, 3420 W. Grace St. 773-478-4408.

### **RONNIE BAKER BROOKS**

9:30 p.m. \$15. FitzGerald's, 6615 Roosevelt Rd., Berwyn, 708-788-2118.

### **SENECA**

8 p.m. \$10. Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave. 773-282-7035.

### SEQUOIA, IT'S TRUE, HAYWOOD YARDS, **BRICE WOODALL**

8 p.m. \$7. Ronny's. 2101 N. California Ave. mpshows.com

### **SKINNY WILLIAMS**

9:30 p.m. \$15. Andv's Jazz Club. 11 E. Hubbard St. 312-642-6805.

### STEEL PULSE, TOOTS AND THE MAYTALS

8 p.m. \$23-\$30. House of Blues, 329 N. Dearborn St. 312-923-2000.

### **STELLAR ROAD**

7 p.m. \$12. The Music Station, 1080 W. 103rd St. 773-840-3005.

### **TAPROOT**

9 p.m. \$13-\$16. Cubby Bear, 1059 W. Addison St. 773-327-1662.

### TOYS THAT KILL. MIKEY ERG. LIL DAVE, VACATION **BIBLE SCHOOL, DUDE JAMS!,** STONED AT HEART, LIKE BATS, BUST!

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### KATZ COMPANY, JANE THATCHER BAND, MS. VICTORIA 9 p.m. \$8. Goose Island

Wrigleyville, 3535 N. Clark St. 773-832-9040.

### WIFE, WHITE RHINO. HAY PERRO,

**THUNDERUNDERUS** 10 p.m. \$5 donation. Cal's Liquors, 400 S. Wells St. 312-922-6392.

### SATURDAY

### AMERICAN ENGLISH

8 p.m. \$17-\$30. Space, 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston. 847-492-8860.

### ANDRE WILLIAMS, THE DIRTY DIAMOND

10 p.m. \$12-\$14. Schubas, 3159 N. Southport Ave. 773-525-2508.

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### **BANNER PILOT,** THE MENZINGERS, **NOISE BY NUMBERS,** CHEAP GIRLS NATO **COLES AND THE BLUE DIAMOND BAND**

4 p.m. \$12-\$15. Subterranean. 2011 W. North Ave. housecallent.com

### THE AUGUST, JOHN WESLEY BAND

10 p.m. \$10. Martyrs', 3855 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-404-9869.

### BR AND TIMEROMB. **BOWERY, BAMBI-**RAPTOR, WALK THE MOON, SONIC PIS-**TOL, YUKON RUDY**

8 p.m. \$10. Elbo Room, 2871 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-549-5549.

### **TAL WORKS**

9 p.m. \$10. Elastic. 2830 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-772-3616.

### **COOL MEMORIES, ROLLIN HUNT.** OH + AH

8 p.m. \$7. Ronny's, 2101 N. California Ave. mpshows.com

### **DAEMON FAMILIAR, MAUDLIN, STARINA**

9:30 p.m. \$5. Reggie's Music Joint 2105 S State St. 312-949-0120.

### **DAN TRUDELL AND PAT MALLINGER DUO** 8 and 9:45 p.m. \$20.

Two drink minimum. Club Blujazz, 1540 W. North Ave. 773-477-6872.

### **DANGERMUFFIN**

10 p.m. \$10. House of Blues Back Porch Stage, 329 N. Dearborn St. 312-923-2000.

### THE ELASTIC WASTE BAND, RESCUE **SCHOOL**

9 p.m. \$15. Double Door, 1572 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-489-3160.

### **ESOHEL AND THE** U DOT FAM, YP, **VOYCE G.I. GO THE** NFW'...OLD. F.A.B.L.F. **DJ JRELL. BEAT SHOW CASE: DRUM** KINGZ, PHANTEM, WES P, MAJA 7

10 p.m. \$8-\$10. Abbey Pub, 3420 W. Grace St. 773-478-4408.

### IT IS WHAT IT IS

10 p.m. \$7. Reggie's Rock Club, 2109 S. State St. 312-949-0120.

### LIS HENRYS, THE **HOMOTICONS** Friday, 10 p.m. \$8. Schubas, 3159 N. Southport Ave. 773-525-2508.

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### **KEVIN DANIELS BAND, MIKE RENICK** BAND, NICOLE GARZA, MITCH MEED

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### **MAJOR BELDEN**

10 p.m. \$5 donation. Cal's Liquors, 400 S. Wells St. 312-922-6392.

### MALDITA VECINDAD, **SONORA SANTANERA**

8 p.m. \$25. Congress Theatre, 2135 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-276-1235.

### MARCUS BELGRAVE/ **KIRK LIGHTSEY** QUARTET

8 and 10 p.m. Cover varies. Jazz Showcase, 806 S. Plymouth Ct. 312-360-0234.

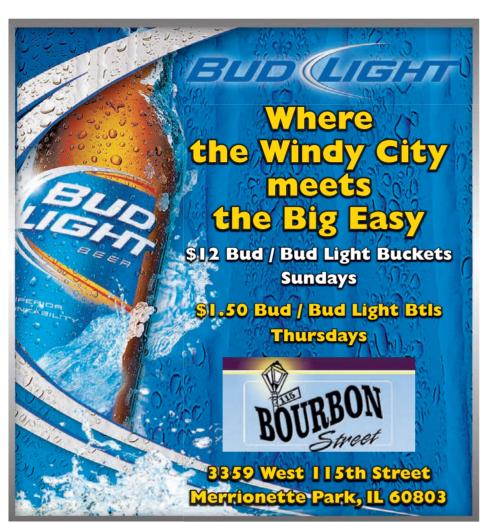
### **MARIACHLLOS CAMPEROS DE NATI CANO**

7:30 p.m. \$40-\$75. Harris Theater for Music and Dance in Millennium Park, 205 E. Randolph Drive. 312-551-1414.

### THE MUSHUGA-NAS. WINEPRESS. LYNYRD'S INNARDS. THE SLOW DEATH. THE REAGANOMICS 9:15 p.m. \$8-\$10.

Subterranean, 2011 W. North Ave. housecallent.com

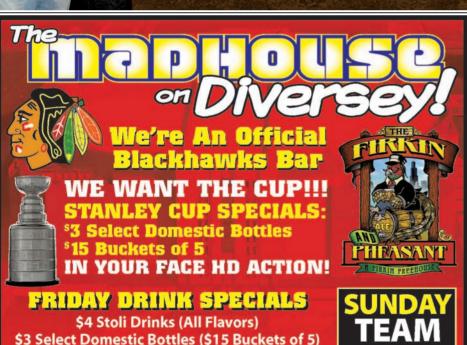
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### SATURDAY DRINK SPECIALS

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### **NELKEN. VALEN-**TIGER, ZACH BLEW

9 p.m. \$5 suggested donation. Uncommon Ground on Clark. 3800 N Clark St 773-929-3680.

### PIETA BROWN. **JUDSON CLAIBORNE**

9 p.m. \$10. Hideout. 1354 W. Wabansia Ave. 773-227-4433

### **ROD TUFFCURLS AND BENCH PRESS**

10 p.m. Free, Cubby Bear, 1059 W. Addison St. 773-327-1662.

### **ROUGH CUT, GERONIMO!, ELUSIVE PARALLELOGRAMS**

8:30 p.m. \$8. Beat Kitchen, 2100 W. Belmont Ave. 773-281-4444.

### **SMOKING POPES, SHOT BAKER, BULLY** IN THE HALLWAY

8 p.m. \$15. Lincoln Hall. 2424 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-525-2508

### **WE ARE! THE NEW** YEAR. I CAN HEAR MYSELF LEVITATE. **CAPEHEART**

5 p.m. \$10. Reggie's Rock Club, 2109 S. State St. 312-949-0120

### YOURSELF AND THE AIR, JOOKABOX, **YAWN**

10 p.m. \$8. Empty Bottle, 1035 N. Western Ave. 773-276-3600.

### **SUNDAY**

### SOULJA BOY. **LLOYD BANKS**

UIC Pavilion, 525 S. Racine Ave. 312-413-5740.

2 p.m. \$5. Green Mill, 4802 N. Broadway. 773-878-5552.

600 E. Grand Ave. 312-595-7437.

### BYFHOMF, DOPPI FR-MANN, WILD JESUS AND THE DEVIL'S LETTUCE, LAMB B. REAR. ARROTT **SMILE, NELKEN FOLK, KYLE THEISS**

Noon. \$8. Empty Bottle, 1035 N. Western Ave. 773-276-3600.

### **BANDS FINALS: DAM-**NATION, MODERN **METHOD, INVELING CHAOS, FEEDING ON IRONY. OTHERS**

### VAN GHOST, **TODD KESSLER** 9 p.m. \$10. Beat Kitch-

en, 2100 W. Belmont Ave. 773-281-4444.

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7 p.m. \$57.50-\$107.50.

### **ANAPHORA**

### **ANNA FERMIN'S** TRIGGER GOSPEL

3 p.m. Free, Navy Pier,

# **AOUIFERS. GOOD-**

### **BATTLE OF THE HISTORY, THE LINDEN** THE FALLEN, OH! THE

4 p.m. \$10-\$12. Reggie's Rock Club, 2109 S. State St. 312-949-0120.

### **BIG LIGHT.**

**DENNIS LUXION TRIO** 8 and 9:45 p.m. \$5. Two drink minimum. Club Blujazz, 1540 W. North Ave. 773-477-6872.

### DEPAUL MEN'S A CAPPELLA. MEN IN DRAG. **EXTREME MEASURES**

8 p.m. \$5-\$7. Lincoln Hall, 2424 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-525-2508.

### **ELEVENTH DREAM** DAY HEAD OF SKULLS!

8:30 p.m. \$8. Hideout, 1354 W. Wabansia Ave. 773-227-4433.

### JASON MYLES GOSS, **THE LOST CARTOGRAPHERS**

8 p.m. \$10 suggested donation. Uncommon Ground on Devon, 1401 W. Devon Ave. 773-465-9801

### **KELSEY WILD, MATTHEW SCHAE-**FER. HILARY SCOTT

7 p.m. \$5 suggested donation. Uncommon Ground on Clark, 3800 N. Clark St. 773-929-3680.

**NARCISO LOBO,** IMELDA DE LA CRUZ, **ALOHA LIVES!, CYN-**THIA LIN. OUIETLY MINE, TINY BONES, **GINTENKAI PROJECT, LAMA LOBSANG** PALDREN. JON AND CARLY, DAWN

### XIANA MOON

8 p.m. \$10. Schubas. 3159 N. Southport Ave. 773-525-2508.

### **NOW NOW EVERY** CHILDREN, TARLTON. COMASOFT

6:30 p.m. \$10-\$12. Abbey Pub, 3420 W. Grace St. 773-478-4408.

### ORQUESTA CON SON

6 p.m. \$5. Cubby Bear. 1059 W. Addison St. 773-327-1662

### P-1, DJ MADRID, DJ SADIE WOODS

8:30 p.m. \$7. Elbo Room, 2871 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-549-5549.

### SUFFIX. STEGOSAUR. RICHARD DEF AND THE MOS PRYORS, GUN

6 p.m. \$7. Ronny's. 2101 N. California Ave. mpshows.com

### TEEN IDOLS, THE DOPAMINES, BE MY DOPPELGANGER, JETTY BOYS, THE **GOD DAMN DOO WOP BAND, OTHERS**

6 p.m. \$12-\$15. Subterranean, 2011 W. North Ave. housecallent.com

### **WACO BROTHERS,** YELLOWHAMMERS

9 p.m. \$12-\$15. Double Door, 1572 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-489-3160.

### @mmxmusic asked: In 'Sex and the City 2' Liza Minnelli sings 'Single Ladies.' Is that awesome or horrifying?

Here are some answers we liked from Twitter and Facebook. Follow @mmxmusic and stay tuned for next week's question!

### **TWITTER**

### @VictorTania Horrifvina! Yet

awesome for all the "Single Cougars" out there.

### @Hollandersauce

I think she's trying to ride the Betty White hype but she's too neurotic to pull it off. Stick to Arrested Development cameos

### @veezworld

horrifying if it's hot

### **Sandy Torrez**

release last night. have to say, that part made me cringe

Ladies attempts to

she drops it like

### **FACEBOOK**

### saw the midnight

### **Ryan V Brinkerhoff**

Liza covering Single

### recreate the popularity of Johnny Cash covering Hurt?

### **Diana Trantham**

Single Ladies by Liza was AWESOME!

Chasity J **Middleton** Saw movie last night and I laughed through that whole piece....



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### **ON SALE** 9 A.M. FRIDAY

**Cliff Johnson Band,** Kraig Kenning, Friday, June 25 (\$12, 21+) at FitzGerald's.

Tributosaurus, Thursday, June 3 (\$15, 21+) at FitzGerald's.

### **ON SALE NOON FRIDAY**

DePedro, Tuesday, July 13 (\$12, 21+) at Schubas.

Katie Herzig, Andrew Belle, Saturday, Aug. 14 (\$12-\$15, 18+) at Schubas.

Pomegranates, Josh Mease, Friday, July 23 (\$10, 18+) at Schubas.

The Sweetback Sisters, Wednesday, Aug. 18 (\$10, 18+) at Schubas.

### ON SALE 11 A.M. **SATURDAY**

Liquid Soul, Friday. Aug. 27 (\$15-\$20, all ages) at Space.

Tony Lucca, Ernie Halter, Tuesday, Aug. 10 (\$12-\$15, all ages) at Space.

Megon McDonough, Saturday, Aug. 14 (\$15-\$20, all ages) at Space.

day, Aug. 26 (\$35-\$40,

**American Mother**load, Saturday, Aug. 21 (\$8, 21+) at Double Door.

**Boris**, Russian Circles, Friday, Aug. 13 (\$18, 18+) at Metro.

**Dominique Young** Unique, Dark Wave Disco DJs, Bald E., Saturday, June 26 (\$6-

Jerry Joseph and

Knockhopper, The Grown Ups, Tuesday, July 27 (\$5, 21+) at

**Lucid Ground, Echo** Son, Otter Petter, Katz Company, Saturday, June 12 (\$9,

Mertz, Belly, Richie Thursday, June 24 (free-\$5, 21+) at Smart

Modern English, Sunday, July 11 (\$20, 21+) at Double Door.

all ages) at Space.

### **ON SALE NOW**

\$8, 18+) at Metro.

the Jackmormons, Friday, July 16, Saturday, July 17 (\$14-\$16, 21+) at House of Blues Back Porch Stage.

Double Door.

18+) at Metro.

August, Charlie Bro.



Trevor Hall, Wednesday, Aug. 4 (\$16-\$20, all ages) at Space.

The New Deal, Saturday, Aug. 21 (\$20-\$25, 18+) at Metro.

**Pool of Frogs, The Groundkeepers, Pet** Peeve, Wednesday, Aug. 11 (\$5, 21+) at Double Door.

Railroad Earth, Friday, Sept. 17 (\$20.50-\$23, 17+) at House of Blues

The Sass Dragons, Sunday, July 25 (\$5, 21+) at Double Door

Taking Back Sunday, Michael Serafini, Kid Color, Sunday, June 27 (free-\$3, 21+) at Smart Bar.

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### **Matthew Santos**

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It's a crowded marketplace out there, and approximately 8 billion bands are competing for your attention.

I'm not interested in knocking local artists, but I have to admit that Matthew Santos, who gained fame after singing the hook on Lupe Fiasco's "Superstar," simply doesn't do enough to stand out. His voice often feels like a less-unique Dave Matthews or an imitation Jeff Buckley and his lyricism too often leans on obvious and familiar sentiments about love and loyalty. Musically, "Fools" is mostly a coffee-shop album with shrug-worthy rough edges. There's nothing wrong with treading well-worn ground, but only if you can make your own dent. Santos has a pleasant demeanor, but he doesn't have the hooks. -MATT PAIS In concert: 9 p.m. Friday at Double Door







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# ROYAL LOYAL Critics wonder why 'Prince

### **Los Angeles Times**

The video game franchise "Prince of Persia" has become notable for not delivering stereotypical depictions of its Middle Eastern and Muslim characters as terrorists or religious zealots.

Independent filmmaker and blogger Jehanzeb Dar remembers his favorable first reaction to the swashbuckling action game, which is set amid the sands and ancient cities of Persia (as ancient Iran is known) and follows a hero with a magic sword caught between forces of good and evil.

"You could see clearly the protagonist had distinct Middle Eastern features and darker skin," said Dar, 26, who pens the blog Muslim Reverie from Langhorne, Pa. "People could develop some respect for that culture instead of seeing it vilified."

So when Disney studios announced plans for a live-action adaptation of "Prince," Dar held out hope it would be a "serious story that would dispel a lot of stereotypes and misconceptions."

Then came the bad news regarding "Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time," opening Friday: None of its principal cast members are of Iranian, Middle Eastern or Muslim descent. And playing Dastan, the hero and titular heir to the Persian throne in the \$200 million tentpole film, is none other than Swedish-Jewish-American prince Jake Gyllenhaal.

"My first reaction was, 'Really?!" Dar said.
"It's insulting that people of color—especially
Middle Easterners or South Asians—are not
allowed to portray ourselves in these roles.
That's a big problem a lot of people in the
community are having with this film."

Critics such as Dar say casting for "Prince of Persia," as well as the upcoming "The Last Airbender"—two of this summer's biggestbudgeted films—is just the latest example of a long history in Hollywood of demeaning people of color. Some early fan reactions have varied from indignation to righteous fury to organized revolt over a perceived "whitewashing" of multi-culti characters, a practice known as "racebending."

of Persia' cast lacks diversity

They point to examples such as the 2008 film "21," which was based on a book inspired by the true-life story of a mostly Asian-American group of card players, yet was cast with mostly white actors in the main roles.

With just weeks until the "Airbender" movie's July 2 release—after a year-and-a-half-long letter-writing campaign to the film's producers and a correspondence with Paramount President Adam Goodman to underscore the importance of casting Asian actors in designated Asian roles—members of the Media Action Network for Asian Americans and an organization called **racebending.com** are urging fans to boycott "Airbender." The stated goal: to prevent "Airbender" from blooming into a lucrative three-part franchise via negative word of mouth.

"It's unfortunate that it's come to this," said **racebending.com** spokesman Michael Le. "They've constructed a film that is contrary not only to what fans expected to see but is also contrary to what America expects to see in a film released in 2010 featuring Asian culture and Asian and Native American characters as heroes.

"We want to raise awareness of the discriminatory practices of Hollywood," Le continued. "We want to tell people this is important. It really matters."

Guy Aoki, head and co-founder of MA-NAA—a crusading organization that has skirmished with TV networks and movie studios—put a finer point on the boycotters'



concerns. "If 'The Last Airbender' does really well, it sends the message in Hollywood that discriminating against Asian-Americans works," he said.

Although the studios behind both "Prince of Persia" and "Airbender" have taken costly steps to not seem insensitive toward—or out of touch with—the minority constituencies represented in their respective films, no Disney executives would comment for this article. Nor would the producers, "Persia's" Jerry Bruckheimer or "Airbender's" Kathleen Kennedy and Frank Marshall. Directors Mike Newell and M. Night Shyamalan similarly declined.

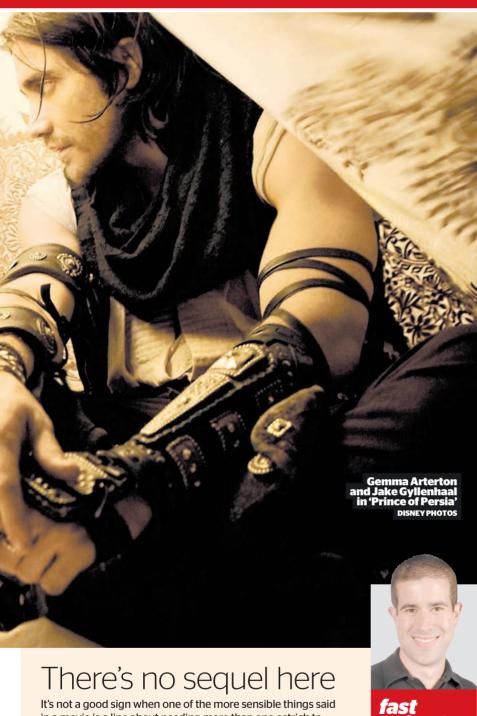
In a statement given to The Associated Press, Paramount defended casting for "Airbender," noting more than half of the credited speaking roles were filled by people of color.

"Night's vision of 'The Last Airbender' includes a large and ethnically diverse cast that represents cultures from around the world," Paramount said.

The movie's critics claim most of that diversity is found among secondary characters and background extras.

Jack Shaheen, author of "Reel Bad Arabs" and a commentator on Hollywood's distortions of Muslim cultures and people, said the industry's conventional wisdom that mainstream audiences won't shell out to see a non-white lead in a big-budget film is a mistake.

"As a society, we're not seeing color like we used to," Shaheen said. "We're more integrated than we used to be. The country is changing. But I don't think Hollywood is at the forefront of that change."



It's not a good sign when one of the more sensible things said in a movie is a line about needing more than one ostrich to organize an ostrich race. The convoluted "Prince of Persia" is based on a video game, which apparently involves so much backstory that a beautiful princess (Gemma Arterton) has virtually nothing to do except explain what's going on at every turn. Jake Gyllenhaal buffs up and lengthens his hair to play Dastan, an orphan taken in by Persian royalty only to be framed for the murder of the king. The dastardly plot revolves around a magic dagger that, with help from a special kind of sand, can turn back time, usually about 15 seconds. Between the incessant exposition, the plot that seems made up on the fly and the slow almost-kisses at silly times, there's some campy enjoyment to be taken from the sheer badness of "Prince of Persia." Hey, sequel-makers: "Persia" tried. It failed. No franchise to be made here.

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# Gyllenhaal fulfills his swashbuckling destiny

### **Associated Press**

Jake Gyllenhaal just wants to have fun. Hence, he's swinging back into cinemas Friday as the swashbuckling hero in "Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time."

"Somehow it sparked that kid side of me, and I just thought, 'I got to play this part,' " Gyllenhaal said. "Whereas a lot of other roles take themselves so seriously, particularly in the huge movies, I couldn't imagine myself spending six or seven months of my life taking myself so seriously."

After a series of heavy dramas, including "Brothers," "Rendition" and "Brokeback Mountain," the actor is playing a character straight out of the "Prince of Persia" video game.

Gyllenhaal portrays Prince Dustan, a street kid with a big destiny. He is adopted by a king at a young age and brought up to be a sword-wielding warrior in 6th century Persia. The story follows a royal murder mystery and his adventure with a mystical dagger that can turn back time.

During a recent interview in London, Gyllenhaal was in a lighthearted mood.

### What was it about Prince Dustan that really grabbed you?

Well, to me, the moment I read the first sequence of the movie, which is the siege on Alamut where he's [Prince Dustan] jumping around and lighting things on fire and having a good time doing it, I think that was the moment when I thought, "There's a sense of humor here." Here's one of those classic characters that's in the vein of Errol Flynn or Indiana Jones, and those are the movies I loved when I was a kid.

### So you wanted to have a laugh?

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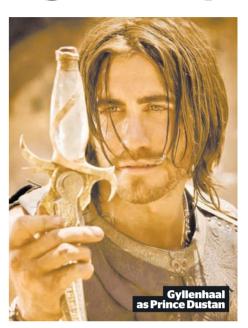
OF PERSIA: THE SANDS

OF TIME' (PG-13)

Yeah, I wanted to have a good time, and I wanted to know that I was making a movie that an audience could have a good time in too.

### And had you played the video game before? Are you any good?

When I was 8 or 9 years old, I played the original side-scroller game a lot. And then I took a 20-year hiatus [laughs] and only picked it up when I was doing research for the movie—which was very, very difficult research, it was hard. Three to four times a day, I would have



to be forced to go and play the video game. People don't really know how hard it is to be an actor, and I can tell you how hard it is; it's working out every day and getting paid for it and also playing video games. So it's really been tough, a really tough road [laughs].

### Did you enjoy the stunts? I'm actually quite disappointed you haven't swung through the window onto a horse.

That would be an incredible entrance; I would have done that for you if I could have and we had more time. But no, Mike Newell, the director, had a wire attached to my back, and he would just control me. ... I would do whatever he wanted. Move to the left, move to the right, jump, fight this guy, win!

### I want to ask you about the Parkour [free-running] stunts. Are you quite good at that now?

I saw this thing on MTV called "The Ultimate Parkour Challenge" ... where they brought in some of the best Parkour athletes in the world. And I watched them do all these crazy things, which was actually semi-disturbing to see because they got injured quite a lot, and I just thought "I've got no idea what I'm doing, these guys are extraordinary." The fundamentals I do know and I can do things, but ultimately I cannot say I'm a card-carrying Parkour athlete. I just try to mimic.







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■ Greenberg (R) 4:30 P.M.

## Sex and the sequel

Dine, drink and brunch like your favorite 'Sex and the City' character

#### **By Heidi Moore**

Sure, the franchise may be a little past its prime, but 'fess up—you've already bought advance tickets to see "Sex and the City 2" this weekend. Choose an agenda inspired by your favorite character and arrange your girls' night out around your showtime. Then, continue the fun the next morning by rehashing the night's events over a cocktail-fueled brunch, a la Carrie and the gang.

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FIRST STOP: Fashionistas, strap on your Manolos and head to the new Marc Jacobs Collection boutique in the swanky Elysian Hotel (11 E. Walton St. 312-239-2330). Fur-trimmed jackets and sequined dresses from Jacobs' high-end line would be right at home in the killer closet Big had built for Carrie in the first film. Afterward, head upstairs to velvet-and-suede-decked Bernard's Bar (312-646-1300) for pre-movie cocktails, such as the Jack Rose (\$14), a flirty pink martini with Calvados and maraschino liqueur.

**AFTER THE FILM:** Channel Carrie's early-series kooky side with karaoke (starting at 9 p.m. Fridays; 10 p.m. Tues.-Thurs., Sat.) at tchotchke-covered Blue Frog 22 (22 E. Hubbard St. 312-527-1200). Throw back tequila shots (starting at \$4 for well) and belt out your best rendition of Lady Gaga's "Bad Romance" while debating the relative merits of Aidan and Big.

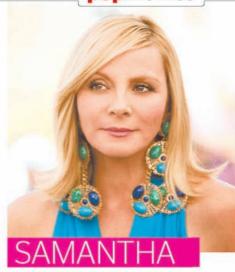
**BRUNCH PLAN:** Shop your way through Barneys New York (15 E. Oak St. 312-587-1700) before ending up at glam sixth-floor restaurant Fred's at Barneys (312-596-1111) for brunch and a round (or two) of mimosas (\$10 each).



FIRST STOP: Start the evening early by browsing the West Loop's gallery scene. We think former gallery manager Charlotte would appreciate the contemporary works at Rhona Hoffman Gallery (118 N. Peoria St. 312-455-1990). Then indulge in a "SATC" character-themed wine flight and nibbles at the elegant Tasting Room (1415 W. Randolph St. 312-942-1313).

AFTER THE FILM: Traditional girliegirl Charlotte would love glitzy, retro salon-inspired Beauty Bar (1444 W. Chicago Ave. 312-226-8828). You don't need a MacDougal-size divorce settlement to afford the martini-and-manicure pairing (\$10); try the summery Platinum Blond 'tini with Svedka vodka, Malibu rum and pineapple juice.

serene Terzo Piano (159 E. Monroe St. 312-443-8650) in the Art Institute's Modern Wing and dish about the evening over bellinis (\$13 each) and breakfast



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FIRST STOP: Watch the sun set from the 16th floor over ceviche and champagne cocktails at the Terrace at Trump (401 N. Wabash Ave. 312-588-8600), a see-and-be-seen spot a PR maven such as Samantha would adore. Try an order of bigeye tuna ceviche (\$18) with toasted sesame seeds and ginger, and the Mojito Rojo (\$15) made with Hum, hometown mixologist Adam Seger's hibiscus- and cardamom-infused rum, Bacardi 8 rum and sparkling rosé.

**AFTER THE FILM:** Head through the private alley to clubby Cuvee (308 W. Erie St. 312-202-9221) to dance the night away over more champagne cocktails—or make reservations for table service.

**BRUNCH PLAN:** Snag a table at Sunda (110 W. Illinois St. 312-644-0500) and air the dirty details from last night over pan-Asian plates and build-your-own shochu bloody marys (\$7).

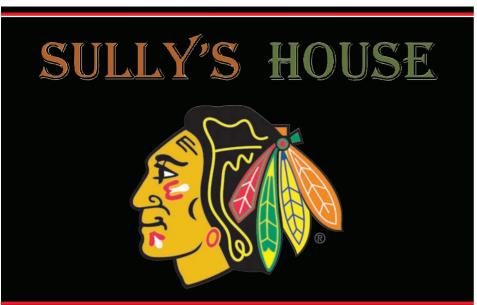
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FIRST STOP: Gather at Primebar (155 N. Wacker Dr. 312-884-0000), a downtown bar and grill fit for sensible attorney types, and gear up for the flick over pork belly sliders (\$7.99) and drafts of locally brewed Metropolitan Brewing Krankshaft kolsch (\$5).

AFTER THE FILM: Located above Vivo, West Loop lounge the Vault (838 W. Randolph St. 312-733-3379) serves up cocktails and bites in a low-key scene. Try the

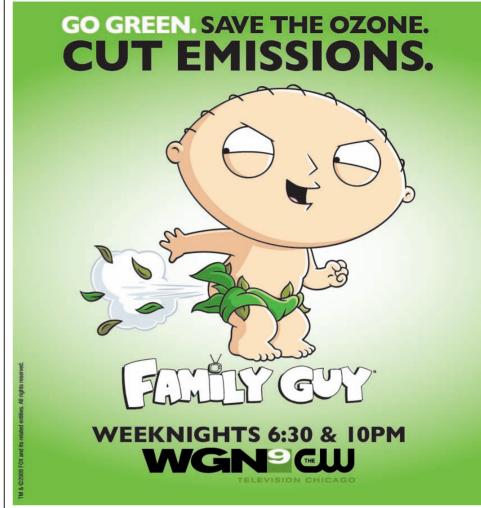
> bar's twist on the martini the ladies made famous: the White Cosmo (\$12), a combination of Effen vodka, Cointreau and white cranberry juice with a squeeze of lime. **BRUNCH PLAN: Meet** up the next morning at Nightwood (2119 S. Halsted St. 312-526-3385), a hip spot from the owners of Logan Square's Lula Cafe that's straight out of Miranda's adopted borough, Brooklyn. Chase down farm-driven fare with plenty of Intelligentsia coffee.





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The stars of "Sex and the City 2" have their fashion hits and misses. warner Bros. PICTURES

# Dressing well about good taste, not age

#### **Associated Press**

There's a telling scene early in "Sex and the City 2" when 52-year-old Samantha, played by 53-year-old Kim Cattrall, spots a gold, beaded bustier minidress that she thinks will be perfect for a big red-carpet moment.

The saleswoman is the first doubter. "Is it maybe a little young?" she asks.

Carrie, Samantha, Charlotte and Miranda have fashion confidence like few others—on film or in real life. But the sequined armor these women wear along with their microminis, harem pants and stiletto heels suffers a few chinks over one issue: Do they dress their age?

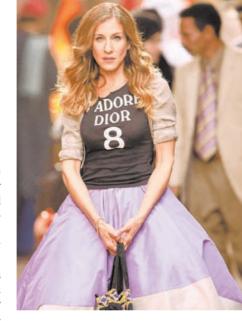
Samantha's friends question the minidress too. But an even more important movie moment is when Samantha rocks the dress, putting conventionalists and teenager Miley Cyrus, who is on the same red carpet in the same dress, in their place.

Throughout the movie, the posse parades around in the most au courant clothes, seemingly not deterred at all by the fact that designers often use lithe, lean teenage runway models as muses instead of the 40-plus successful shopaholics the characters now represent.

Some of the outfits are knockouts and incredibly flattering—like the pleated, flame-colored sundress worn by Carrie (Sarah Jessica Parker) on the beach, and the plunging V-neck gown with metallic studs worn by Miranda (Cynthia Nixon) to a wedding—but there also are the misses.

It shouldn't be assumed, though, that Charlotte's (Kristin Davis) dorky strapless candycane get-up or Carrie's ill-conceived logo-Tand-poufy-ballskirt combination would look any better on a 25-year-old.

"I think it's all about where the individual is in what they are comfortable and confident wearing," says accessories designer Brian At-



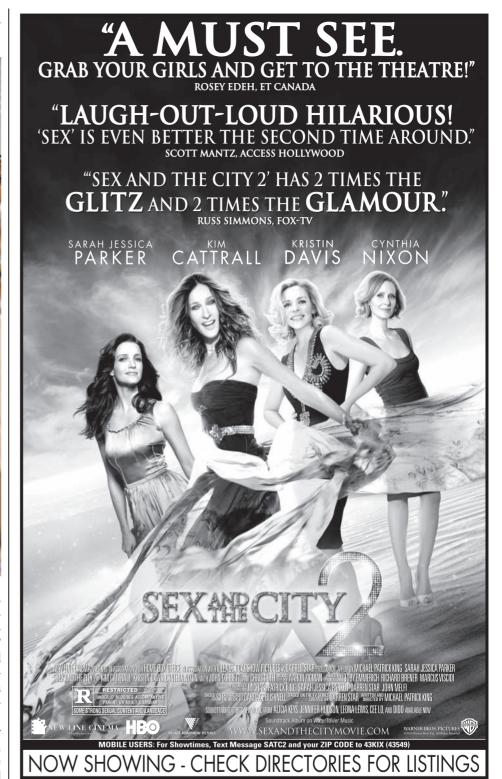
wood, who crafted two pairs of 6-inch heels for Carrie's closet, including studded, purplesuede peeptoes. "I don't like to dictate boundaries to anyone. I think it's the whole package."

An honest analysis of one's assets—and trouble spots—as well as lifestyle and personal style will get you further in developing a flattering, appropriate wardrobe than counting birthday candles, experts say.

"You need to know what parts of your body should be shown off," advises Deborah Lloyd, co-president and creative director of Kate Spade New York. The actresses in "Sex and the City" surely work hard at keeping their figures in good shape so they can pull off some daring things, she says, but they also stay true to their characters' fashion personalities.

Lloyd points to first lady Michelle Obama as an example of a woman who highlights her strengths—those toned arms, in particular—and maintains a youthful, modern look with interesting silhouettes and bright colors, while never trying to dress too young.

"Women should always consider that elegance and good taste generally go hand in hand, regardless of age. And common sense should always prevail. The best-dressed women, past and present, all seem to have embraced that sensibility."



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#### **Los Angeles Times**

The reviews still are flooding in for "Sex and the City 2" and guess what? They're as bad as ever.

The film's Rotten Tomatoes fresh rating now is residing at 12, which is higher than 0, which is where it was a day ago, but still lower than any other major release this year, and that's including "The Tooth Fairy," "Valentine's Day" and, yes, even "MacGruber."

The critics have been having a field day, notably the New York Post's Kyle Smith, whose review ran under the inspired

headline "Sucks in the City." Smith didn't mince words, putting it this way: "As tasteless as an Arabian cathouse, as worn-out as your 1998 flip-flops and as hideous as the mom jeans Carrie wears with a belly-baring gingham top, 'Sex and the City 2' is two of the worst movies of the year."

There are theorists who have claimed that the movie is getting pummeled especially hard by male film critics who weren't fans of the show in the first place (though that's hardly true of the Post's Smith, who boasted on his blog that he'd watched every episode of the TV show). But even the

L.A. Times' Betsy Sharkey wasn't any more enthusiastic.

She led off her review: "If only they'd called it 'Almost No Sex and Very Little City,' at least we would know what we were in for with 'Sex and the City 2.' In this second screen incarnation of the fabulous HBO series, the satire is sagging, the irony's atrophied and the funny is flabby."

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#### **SEX AND THE CITY**

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**@979TheLoop:** 'MacGruber' was extraordinarily stupid. And extraordinarily enjoyable. And the soundtrack could make any man cry.

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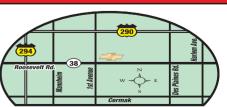


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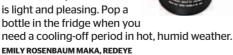


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## Beat jet lag with a few basic strategies

#### **Associated Press**

For many travelers who cross several time zones, the exhilaration of taking in sights such as the Eiffel Tower or the pyramids of Egypt is quickly tempered by the grogginess of jet lag.

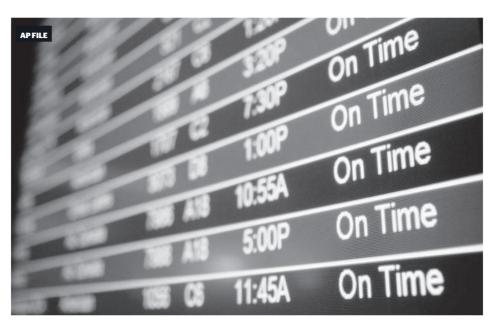
Veteran flyers often have their own remedies to overcome those signals from the body that it's time for sleep. But an Oregon researcher recently detailed in The New England Journal of Medicine three basic strategies for overcoming jet lag:

>> Reset the circadian clock that tells a person to stay awake during the day and sleep at night. You can do this by taking the sleep-inducing hormone melatonin, timing your exposure to bright light, or both.

>> Adjust your sleep schedule. Take short naps if you are sleepy the first few days after arrival. If you can, shift your sleep schedule by a couple of hours before travel.

> Use medications to get to sleep or stay awake. Or turn to the old reliable remedy for keeping your eyes open: caffeine.

"We have mechanisms to adjust our clocks, but those mechanisms have to be called on to go into high gear," said Dr. Robert Sack,



a psychiatry professor at Oregon Health & Science University in Portland, Ore., whose article takes a science-based look at jet lag remedies.

Sack said melatonin is the most extensively

studied jet lag treatment, with a majority of double-blind, placebo-controlled trials showing it helped symptoms.

"Its effect is based in good science," Sack said. He said the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has not evaluated melatonin, but no significant adverse effects have been reported.

Melatonin is sold as a nutritional supplement in the U.S. and no prescription is needed for it.

No drugs have been approved by the FDA for jet lag, but Sack says drugs that help with alertness or insomnia can alleviate jet lag.

So for eastward travel, from the U.S. to Paris, for example, on arrival a traveler might go for a walk in the sun and then sip a latte at an outdoor cafe. Sack said travelers who are unbearably sleepy as the day wears on should take a short nap. Then take melatonin—a dose of 0.5 to 3 milligrams—before heading to bed, and hopefully you'll be adjusted to your new time zone within a couple of days.

For westward flights—such as Europe back to the U.S.—travelers should expose themselves to bright light in the evening to help them stay up later. Then, if their eyes pop open before 5 a.m., take a low dose of melatonin.

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Coopers Beach in Southampton, N.Y., is No. 1 on the list of Top 10 Beaches produced annually by coastal expert Stephen P. Leatherman. AP FILE

## And the best beach is

#### **Associated Press**

Hamptons hoi polloi probably assumed it always was No. 1.

Coopers Beach, with pristine white sand gently sloping toward a shoreline of lapping waves, convenient parking and amenities and nary a gum wrapper in sight, has been selected as America's best beach in an annual survey released Friday to coincide with the start of the summer vacation season.

"New York has world-class beaches, but I don't think a lot of people in the United States know about them," said Dr. Stephen Leatherman, director of Florida International University's Laboratory for Coastal Research. Known by the moniker Dr. Beach, this is Leatherman's 20th year of compiling a list of the country's top 10.

Leatherman's list also features another New York beach, Main Beach in East Hampton, Long Island, not far from Southampton. Main Beach takes the No. 5 spot on this year's survey.

"When most people think of a beach vacation destination, they go south," Leatherman said. "I kind of think the east end of Long Island is a well-kept secret for most Americans."

Coopers Beach has been a contender for the top spot in recent years, but this is the first time a New York beach has made it to

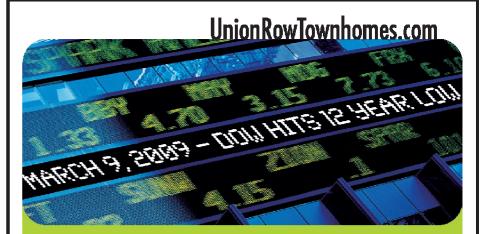
#### **TOP 10 BEACHES**

Here is the list of Top 10 beaches for 2010 from Stephen P. Leatherman, director of Florida International University's Laboratory for Coastal Research, also known as Dr. Beach. He has compiled the list annually since 1991 using 50 criteria. including water quality and temperature, cleanliness, weather, sand, safety and facilities. AP

- 1. Coopers Beach, Southampton, N.Y.
- 2. Siesta Beach, Sarasota, Fla.
- 3. Coronado Beach, San Diego.
- 4. Cape Hatteras, Outer Banks, N.C.
- 5. Main Beach, East Hampton, N.Y.
- 6. Kahanamoku Beach, Waikiki, Honolulu.
- 7. Coast Guard Beach, Cape Cod. Mass. 8. Beachwalker Park, Kiawah Island, S.C.
- 9. Hamoa Beach, Maui, Hawaii.
- 10. Cape Florida State Park, Key Biscayne, Fla.

No. 1, Leatherman said. He considers factors such as water quality and temperature, cleanliness, weather, sand, safety and facilities in making his list.

Once a beach makes it to the top spot, it is retired from consideration in future years, he said. Leatherman added that designation as the country's No. 1 beach usually brings as much as a 20 percent bump in tourism.



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## Disappearing acts lit was a big week in celebrity land, but some folks shrank before our very eyes. In addition, Kate Gossel put her worst foot forward one last time on national TV—or at least until her next reality show begins.

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## **SHOCKING**

#### You're half the man you used to be

There have been several shocking transformations making the rounds this week. First up is Mike Ventrella, the Chicago-area DJ who lost a whopping 264 pounds to become the winner of "The Biggest Loser." Ventrella was the heaviest person ever to be a contestant on "Loser." He looks like a million bucks—or \$250,000, which is how much he won. Next is 50 Cent, who has posted photos of himself on his Facebook and Twitter pages showing his nearly 55-pound weight loss for a movie. He plays a football player who battles cancer. Fitty, who dropped to 160 pounds, says he is feeding himself again. Then we have Willie Nelson, who lopped off his trademark long scraggly braid. He seems to be rocking a shag now but has not ditched his old hat.



### STRANGE

#### Something's missing

About 50 former "American Idol" contestants paid tribute to departing judge Simon Cowell on Wednesday, but two prominent ex-participants were missing. Season 8 runner-up Adam Lambert and Season 7 winner David Cook were conspicuously absent. Lambert tweeted that he wasn't invited after blogs reported he blew off rehearsals, usmagazine.com said. "First of all, i was never asked to appear on the finale in any capacity," he wrote. "All i ever heard was: 'you've not been asked to perform on finale. Would you like to sit in the audience?" Me: sorry-Too much work to do today." Cook was at a charity event in his hometown of Kansas City.





## SILLY

#### Kate plus zero dancing skills

At least Kate Gosselin can make us laugh in these troubled economic times. "Dancing With the Stars," the ultimate escapist fare, ended its season Tuesday night with a bloated, ridiculous finale featuring the reality show mom in a reboot of her infamous "Paparazzi" zombie dance. The woman still can't move, but damn, she made me giggle. Her very patient partner, Tony Dovolani, kept an amazing poker face throughout the demented dance.





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# 10 TO MARK 20

Entertainment Weekly is 20, and to celebrate, the mag has compiled its list of the top 10 characters of pop culture. List-topper Homer Simpson, when asked who his favorite character is, said: "Mr. Peanut from the Planters can. And my dream in life is to someday meet him, shell him and eat him."

## Here are the Top 10:

- **1.** Homer Simpson, the dad who loves doughnuts
- 2. Harry Potter, wizarding wonder
- 3. Buffy, badass vampire slayer
- 4. Tony Soprano, scary family guy
- 5. The Joker, Batman's nemesis
- 6. Rachel Green, one of our "Friends'
- 7. Edward Scissorhands, sharp and sweet
- 8. Hannibal Lecter, the doctor is sin
- **9.** Carrie Bradshaw, "Sex and the City" fashion plate
- 10. Spongebob Squarepants, not-so mellow yellow

#### He won't be idle

"American Idol" winner Lee DeWyze is ready for the craziness of his new life.
"This is what I asked for," the Mount Prospect resident told the L.A. Times. The ratings for the season finale, however, fell short of what Fox asked for. About 24.2 million viewers tuned in to watch DeWyze and Crystal Bowersox vie for top honors, but that was a 16 percent drop from last season's audience of 28.8 million, the Times reports. It was the least-watched "Idol" finale since Season 1.

#### Keys engaged, pregnant



A wedding and a baby are on the way for Alicia Keys (left) and Swizz Beatz. The two are "expecting a baby and are engaged to be married in a private ceremony later this year," reps for the couple

confirm to **people.com**. It will be the first marriage for Keys and her first child. Swizz Beatz has two children.

#### Don't try to kick it

A.C. Milan midfielder Ronaldinho will throw out the ceremonial first pitch at the Cubs game Friday. The Brazilian will be in



Ronaldinho

Chicago with A.C. Milan as the team challenges the Fire in a friendly match at Toyota Park on Sunday.

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